

**Amendment**

**U.S. Patent Application No. 10/716,123**

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-7 are pending in the subject application: claim 7 stands rejected, and claims 1-6 are indicated as containing allowable subject matter. By the above amendments, claim 7 is canceled. Favorable reconsideration of the application and allowance of all of the pending claims are respectfully requested in view of the above amendments and the following remarks.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to find the application to be in condition for allowance with claims 1-6. However, if for any reason the Examiner feels that the application is not now in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the undersigned attorney to discuss any unresolved issues and to expedite the disposition of the application.

Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time that may be necessary to maintain the pendency of this application. It is believed that no fees are required. However, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16–1.19 be required for any reason relating to this submission, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct the required fees from Zarian Midgley & Johnson, PLLC's Deposit Account No. 50-4171, referencing order no. DEVR.003U.

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